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In the matter of

Ralph Hovannisian,

Respondent.

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) U.S. EPA Docket No.
) TSCA-09-2008-0001
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ORDER GRANTING MOTION
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE ANSWER

By motion filed January 14, 2008, the Complainant and Respondent jointly seek an extension of time for Respondent to answer or otherwise respond to the above-referenced matter filed on December 12, 2007. Under 40 C.F.R. section 22.07(c), Respondent's answer is currently due on or about January 21, 2008, which is 30-days after receipt of the above-referenced matter. In their motion, the parties request an extension of time for Respondent to answer or otherwise respond until March 6, 2008; and avers that such an extension will allow the parties to resolve settlement related issues.

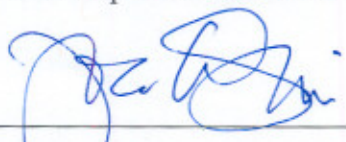
Section 22.07(b) of the Consolidated Rules of Practice, 40 C.F.R. § 22.07(b), provides that a motion for extension of time may be granted "for good cause shown, and after consideration of prejudice to other parties."

On the basis of the parties' timely motion, it appears that there is good cause for an extension of time, and there will be no prejudice to either party from granting the requested extension.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

The time for Respondent to answer or otherwise respond to the above-referenced matter is extended to March 6, 2008.

Dated: 1-15-08



Jo Ann Asami
Acting Regional Judicial Officer

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the original of the foregoing **ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE ANSWER** in the matter of **Ralph Hovannisian, Docket # TSCA-09-2009-0001**, signed by Joann Asami for Steven L. Jawgiel, Regional Judicial Officer, was served on each of the parties at the address given below by mailing first class as here indicated:

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